Amendments to the Claims:

The following claims will replace all prior versions of the claims in this application (in the unlikely event that no claims follow herein, the previously pending claims will remain):

- 1. (Currently Amended) A method of dry cleaning which includes a conditioning step in which textile material is contacted with a treatment medium based on liquid CO₂-CO₂ and which includes from 0.001 to 2.5% by weight of the treatment medium of a conditioning agent which includes at least one fatty alcohol branched polyalkyloxylate or fatty acid branched polyalkyloxylate.
- 2. (Previously Presented) A method as claimed in claim 1 wherein the fatty alcohol branched polyalkyloxylate is of the formula (I):

$$R^1O(AO)_mR^2$$
 (I)

where

 R^1 is a C_8 to C_{30} aliphatic hydrocarbyl group or a C_8 to C_{30} aliphatic acyl group;

AO is an alkyleneoxy group having a molar portion of branched alkyleneoxy residues of at least 50%;

m is from 2 to 30; and

R² is H or is a C₁ to C₄ aliphatic hydrocarbyl group or a C₁ to C₄ aliphatic acyl group.

- 3. (Previously Presented) A method as claimed in claim 2 wherein the group R^1 is a C_8 to C_{22} alkyl group or a C_8 to C_{22} alkenyl group.
- 4. (Original) A method as claimed in claim 2 wherein the groups AO are propyleneoxy and/or butyleneoxy groups.
- 5. (Original) A method as claimed in claim 2 wherein the group R² is H, a methyl or ethyl group, or an acetyl group.
- 6. (Original) A method as claimed in claim 2 wherein m is from 2 to 30.

- 7. (Previously Presented) A method as claimed in claim 1 wherein the concentration of the conditioning agent fatty alcohol branched polyalkyloxylate in the cleaning medium is 0.01 to 1% by weight of the cleaning medium.
- 8. (Previously presented) A method as claimed in claim 1 wherein the textile material is contacted with a dry cleaning treatment medium further including at least one detergent surfactant and/or non-surfactant cleaning additive.
- 9. (Currently Amended) A method as claimed in claim 8 wherein the nonsurfactant cleaning additive is a multi-esters of the formula (II):

$$R^{11}(XR^{12})_n$$
 (II)

where

X is -C(O)O- or -OC(O)-; such that where X is -C(O)O-,

R¹¹ is a direct bond or the residue of a C₁ to C₁₀ hydrocarbyl group from which n hydrogen atoms have been removed; and

 R^{12} is a C1 to C10-C₁ to C₁₀ hydrocarbyl group; and where X is -OC(O)-,

R¹¹ is or the residue of a C₂ to C₁₀ hydrocarbyl group from which n hydrogen atoms have been removed; and

 R^{12} is H or a C_1 to C_{10} hydrocarbyl group; and

n is from 2 to 5;

the compound having a molecular weight of not more than 750.

10. (Previously Presented) A method as claimed in claim 1 wherein the textile material is contacted with the conditioning treatment medium, which does not include any cleaning additives, in a rinse cycle.

- 11. (Currently Amended) A dry cleaning medium based on liquid $\frac{CO_2}{CO_2}$ and including:
 - a-(a) from 0.01 to 5% by weight of the cleaning medium of a cleaning additive which is at least one multi-ester having a molecular weight of not more than 750; and
 - b-(b) from 0.01 to 5% by weight of the treatment medium of a conditioning agent which includes at least one fatty branched polyalkyloxylate, polyalkyloxylate.
- 12. (Original) A dry cleaning medium as claimed in claim 11 which is free of detergent surfactant.
- 13. (Previously Presented) A dry cleaning medium as claimed in claim 11 wherein the fatty branched polyalkyloxylate is of the formula (I):

$$R^1O(AO)_mR^2$$
 (I)

where

R¹ is a C₈ to C₃₀ aliphatic hydrocarbyl group or a C₈ to C₃₀ aliphatic acyl group;

AO is an alkyleneoxy group having a molar proportion of branched alkyleneoxy residues of at least 50%;

m is from 2 to 30; and

R² is H or is a C₁ to C₄ aliphatic hydrocarbyl group or a C₁ to C₄ aliphatic acyl group.

14. (Currently Amended) A dry cleaning medium as claimed in claim 11 wherein the multi-ester is of the formula (II):

$$R^{11}(XR^{12})_n$$
 (II)

where

X is -C(O)O- or -OC(O)-; such that where X is -C(O)O-,

R¹¹ is a direct bond or the residue of a C₁ to C₁₀ hydrocarbyl group from which n hydrogen atoms have been removed; and

 R^{12} is a C1 to C10 C_1 to C_{10} hydrocarbyl group; and where X is -OC(O)-.

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- R¹¹ is or the residue of a C₂ to C₁₀ hydrocarbyl group from which n hydrogen atoms have been removed; and
- R^{12} is H or a C_1 to C_{10} hydrocarbyl group; and
- n is from 2 to 5;

the compound having a molecular weight of not more than 750.

- 15. (Previously presented) A dry cleaning medium as claimed in claim 11 which additionally includes at least one of fragrances, optical brighteners, sizes, enzymes and/or bleaches.
- 16. (Previously Presented) A method of rinsing a dry cleaned textile material, comprising:

contacting a textile material that has been dry cleaned with a conditioning treatment medium based on liquid CO₂ which includes a conditioning agent that comprises at least one fatty alcohol branched polyalkyloxylate or fatty acid branched polyalkyloxylate.

- 17. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 16, wherein the conditioning treatment medium does not contain a cleaning additive.
- 18. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 16, wherein the conditioning treatment medium comprises from 0.001 to 2.5% by weight of the conditioning agent, relative to the total weight of the conditioning treatment medium.
- 19. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 16, wherein the fatty alcohol branched polyalkyloxylate is of the formula (I):

$$R^1O(AO)_mR^2$$
 (I)

where

- R^1 is a C_8 to C_{30} aliphatic hydrocarbyl group or a C_8 to C_{30} aliphatic acyl group;
- AO is an alkyleneoxy group having a molar proportion of branched alkyleneoxy residues of at least 50%;
- m is from 2 to 30; and

- R² is H or is a C₁ to C₄ aliphatic hydrocarbyl group or C₁ to C₄ aliphatic acyl group.
- 20. (Currently Amended) A method of dry cleaning a textile material, comprising:
 - i. cleaning the textile material by contacting the textile material with a treatment dry cleaning medium based on liquid CO₂ which includes at least one detergent surfactant and/or non-surfactant cleaning additive; and
 - ii. separating the cleaned textile material from the dry cleaning medium; and
 - <u>iii.</u> conditioning rinsing the cleaned textile material by contacting the cleaned textile material with a conditioning treatment medium based on liquid CO₂ which includes from 0.001 to 2.5% by weight of a conditioning agent, relative to the total weight of the conditioning treatment medium, wherein the conditioning agent comprises at least one fatty alcohol branched polyalkyloxylate or fatty acid branched polyalkyloxylate.
- 21. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 20, wherein the conditioning treatment medium does not contain a cleaning additive.
- 22. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 20, wherein the fatty alcohol branched polyalkyloxylate is of the formula (I):

$$R^{1}O(AO)_{m}R^{2} \qquad (I)$$

where

- R¹ is a C₈ to C₃₀ aliphatic hydrocarbyl group or a C₈ to C₃₀ aliphatic acyl group;
- AO is an alkyleneoxy group having a molar proportion of branched alkyleneoxy residues of at least 50%;
- m is from 2 to 30; and
- R² is H or is a C₁ to C₄ aliphatic hydrocarbyl group or C₁ to C₄ aliphatic acyl group.
- 23. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 2, wherein R^1 is a C_8 to C_{30} aliphatic hydrocarbyl group.

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- 24. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 19, wherein R^1 is a C_8 to C_{30} aliphatic hydrocarbyl group.
- 25. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 22, wherein R^1 is a C_8 to C_{30} aliphatic hydrocarbyl group.
- 26. (New) The method of claim 20, wherein the non-surfactant cleaning additive is a multi-ester cleaning additive having a molecular weight of not more than 750.